Insurance and Real Estate Committee Public Hearing Legislative Office Building, Room 2C 300 Capital Avenue Hartford, CT. 06106

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Dear Members of the Insurance and Real Estate Committee, I wish to express my OPPOSITION to HB-6656 "An Act Concerning Liability Insurance For Firearm Possessors Or Owners".

I view this proposed legislation as an attempt to erect a financial barrier, equivalent to a "Poll Tax", against people to exercise their 2nd Amendment Rights.

As you know, earlier in our country's history, Poll Taxes were used to erect a financial barrier to prevent people of minimal means from exercising their 15th Amendment Right to vote. The 24th Amendment was passed to stop the practice of charging a Poll Tax.

I urge you to oppose this bill.

Sincerely,

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